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Composition: This I Believe

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**SKILLS PAGE**

**5.7 Unnecessary Comma**

MY SENTENCE: My intention when I dance is to get the message across: to have whoever is watching, feel that way I feel right at that moment, whether it is joy or aggression, angst or humor.

EXPLANATION: Only use a comma when a rule requires one or when the meaning of the sentence would be unclear without one. I got my information from *Holt Handbook* on page 348.

REVISED EXAMPLE: My intention when I dance is to get the message across: to have whoever is watching feel the way I feel right at that moment, whether it is joy or aggression, angst or humor.

ORIGINAL EXAMPLE: I hope the Capezio store is open so I can get my new pointe shoes.